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Op-Ed: Young at Heart: Finding The Key Demographic Needed To Revitalize America's Inner Cities. Just how important are young people to the revitalization of our inner cities, or more precisely defined "close-in neighborhoods"? By Joe Cortright and Carol Coletta-PLANetizen

Checking Out The Bronx's New Library: ...has alighted like a flying saucer in a cornfield...clearly the most glamorous thing to happen to the neighborhood in years. -- Dattner Architects- New York Sun

The Drawing Center Finds Its Perch: After its exile from ground zero, the center has chosen a Fulton Fish Market site alongside the South Street Seaport. -- Weisz & Yoes-New York Times

One South Dearborn reflects beauty of thinking inside the box: This is the kind of tough but refined beauty that makes Chicago Chicago. By Blair Kamin -- DeStefano Keating Partners- Chicago Tribune

Egos deconstruct architects' union: Messy divorce could follow aborted marriage of DeStefano and Keating- Crain's Chicago Business

Life Getting Hot For Architect Rafael Viñoly: ...having a great run in a tough town...Kimmel Center ...case sheds light on an issue that has dogged architecture firms that attempt massive and politically difficult urban projects...- New York Observer

Fire destroys Frank Lloyd Wright Wynant house: For the second time in less than a week, fire has destroyed a Chicago-area architectural landmark.- Chicago Tribune

<u>Call for entries: 9th annual BusinessWeek/Architectural Record Awards; deadline: May</u>
15- Architectural Record

Forget elegance, expect bluntness: A Tiffany lamp made from milk bottles...a chair made from colored drinking straws...among the works to be presented by 19 Israeli designers at Cooper-Hewitt "Solos: New Design from Israeli" opening January 27- Ha`aretz (Israel)

Book Review: The Not-So-Second City: "Chicago Architecture and Design" by Jay Pridmore and George A. Larson...a wholly satisfying marriage of photography and text-The Atlantic

- -- Exhibition: ArchiSculpture, Guggenheim Bilbao, Spain
- Book: The Singular Objects of Architecture, by Jean Baudrillard and Jean Nouvel (University of Minnesota Press)

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